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Office Action Summary

Application No.

10/540,519

Applicant(s)

FUJIKURA ET AL.

Examiner

TRAVISS C. MCINTOSH III

Art Unit

1623

Period for Reply -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

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- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 September 2008.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4, 10, 12-22 and 24-28 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4, 10, 12-22 and 24-28 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

The Amendment filed 9/30/2008 has been received, entered into the record, and carefully considered. The following information provided in the amendment affects the instant application by:

Claims 1, 2, 10, 13, and 22 have been amended.

Claims 25-28 have been added

Claims 5-9, 11, and 23 have been canceled.

Remarks drawn to rejections of Office Action mailed 3/31/2008 include:

Claim objections: which have been overcome by applicant's amendments and have been withdrawn.

112 2nd paragraph rejections: which have been overcome by applicant's amendments and have been withdrawn.

112 1st paragraph rejections: which have been overcome by applicant's amendments and have been withdrawn.

101 rejections: which have been overcome by applicant's amendments and have been withdrawn.

It is noted that applicant's have amended claim 1, on page 4, to overcome the previous 112 2nd paragraph rejection. Upon further review, the examiner believes that the language used in the response filed 9/30/2008 would be better suited for the instant claims. Applicants noted that the language "and with the proviso that when ---; X^2 represents N or CR^2 (wherein R^2 represents

---); and when X^4 represents N or CR^4 (wherein R^4 represents ---), R represents ---" could be used.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

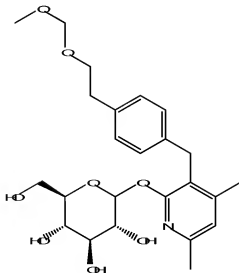
A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

Applicant cannot rely upon the foreign priority papers to overcome this rejection because a translation of said papers has not been made of record in accordance with 37 CFR 1.55. See MPEP § 201.15.

Claims 1-4, 10, 12-22, and 24-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Nishimura et al. (WO03/000712).

Nishimura et al. disclose a species which anticipates the instant genus of compounds. See compound of example 6 for example, which is represented structurally by the formula:



wherein the instant variables are seen to be: X^1 is N; X^2 is CR^2 ; R^2 is G^5 and G^5 is methyl; X^3 and X^4 are each CH; R is a C_6 aryl group substituted by a $-G^3OG^4$ group; G^3 is an alkyl group; G^4 is an alkyl group substituted by OG^6 group; and G^6 is an alkyl group. It is noted that the methoxymethyloxyethyl group is not seen to be delimited by group Z of the proviso. Nishimura also teach their compounds are effective as SGLT2 inhibitors and effective for treating diseases associated with hyperglycemia such as diabetes.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to TRAVISS C. MCINTOSH III whose telephone number is (571)272-0657. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9:30-6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Shaojia A. Jiang can be reached on 571-272-0627. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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